

Law Council welcomes appointment of Justice Michelle Gordon to the High Court

The Law Council of Australia congratulates the Honourable Michelle Gordon on her appointment as the next Justice of the High Court of Australia.

Law Council of Australia President, Mr Duncan McConnel, said Justice Gordon's already distinguished legal career made her an excellent choice for the position of High Court Justice.

"As a Judge of the Federal Court of Australia, with a strong background in taxation, constitutional and commercial law, Justice Gordon has the perfect qualities for the complex type of cases regularly requiring determination by the High Court.

"As a well respected and highly regarded member of the Australian legal profession, Justice Gordon will bring to the position of Justice of the High Court of Australia her measured, astute and humane approach in determining cases.

"The appointment of Justice Gordon also means there will be a continuation of the strong presence of women on the High Court," Mr McConnel said.

Justice Gordon will replace the Honourable Justice Kenneth Hayne AC, who will retire on 5 June 2015.

"The Law Council thanks and commends the Honourable Justice Kenneth Hayne AC for his many years of distinguished judicial service to the Australian people.

"The Law Council congratulates Justice Gordon and we are confident that she will provide exemplary service to the High Court of Australia," Mr McConnel concluded.

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